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THE GRATEFUL MAGPIE.

A FAIRYTALE

THAT ANYONE WOULD KNOW.

I DON'T KNOW IF SHE'LL LIKE THIS OR NOT.

THEN I'LL READ IT TO YOU.

WHAT KIND OF STORY IS IT?

WITH THE EXCEPTION OF RANGII.

YEAH!

457 YEARS AGO, ALTHOUGH THEY LACKED EVEN A SPECK OF SPIRITUAL POWER,

THERE LIVED A MAGPIE PHANTOM COUPLE THAT ACCEPTED REALITY AND SUBSISTED BY LIVING IN A SEWER.

ONCE UPON A TIME,

EH?!

WHAT IS THIS?

WHAT'S WRONG?

THE YEAR IS TOO SPECIFIC, THE WORDING WEIRDLY DOESN'T BELONG IN A FAIRY TALE,

.....NO.

THAT'S RIGHT. RANGII'S A PHANTOM.

SO SHOULD I THINK OF IT AS A FAIRY TALE MEANT FOR YOUNG PHANTOMS?

BUT MOST IMPORTANT IS THAT IT SAYS MAGPIE PHANTOM.

ISN'T IT NORMALLY JUST A MAGPIE?

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I PROBABLY SHOULDN'T THINK TOO HARD ABOUT HOW A PASSING SCHOLAR WAS ABLE TO KILL A PHANTOM WITH A BOW.

AFTER ALL, SCHOLARS FROM THESE OLD STORIES CAN DO ANYTHING.

IT SHOULD BE THE SAME STORY I KNOW WITH THE EXCEPTION OF A MAGPIE PHANTOM AND A SNAKE PHANTOM AS CHARACTERS.

A SCHOLAR WHO SAW ON HIS WAY A SNAKE PHANTOM ABOUT TO KILL A BABY MAGPIE PHANTOM SAVES THE MAGPIE PHANTOM'S LIFE.

WELL, MOVING ON.

AS NIGHT WAS APPROACHING, THE SCHOLAR TOOK SHELTER IN A CABIN ONLY INHABITED BY A WOMAN AND CHILDREN.

BUT THE WOMAN'S TRUE IDENTITY

WAS THE WIFE OF THE SNAKE PHANTOM THE SCHOLAR HAD KILLED DURING THE DAY!

WITH THE SCHOLAR NOW IN TERRIBLE PERIL, THE SNAKE WAS ABOUT TO GET HER REVENGE

SOMEHOW, THE SCHOLAR CONVINCED HER TO MAKE ONE PROMISE.

AND AFTER THE GRATEFUL MAGPIE COUPLE HEARD THIS,

IN ORDER TO SAVE THE LIFE OF THE SCHOLAR WHO RESCUED THEIR CHILD, THE COUPLE SACRIFICED THEIR LIVES TO RING THE BELL.

SHE PROMISED TO SPARE THE SCHOLAR'S LIFE.

UNTIL THE SUN RISES, IF THE BELL AT THE ABANDONED TEMPLE RINGS

FINDING IT STRANGE THAT THE BELL AT THE ABANDONED TEMPLE RANG,

WHEN THE SUN BEGAN TO SHINE, THE SCHOLAR WENT TO FIND THE TEMPLE.

THE SCHOLAR WAS NARROWLY SPARED DEATH,

AND ALTHOUGH THE SNAKE WAS FURIOUS, SHE STILL KEPT HER PROMISE.

SNORE-

AND THERE HE FOUND .....

-NO, THAT'S NOT IT!!

A SLEEPING RANGII.

HM?

WELL, MAYBE I SHOULD SLEEP NOW.

THESE KINDS OF CHILDREN'S STORIES WERE ALWAYS LIKE LULLABIES TO LITTLE KIDS.

WHAT? THE STORY WAS ABOUT TO END

BUT THERE'S AN ABNORMALLY LARGE AMOUNT OF PAGES LEFT?

Things to think about

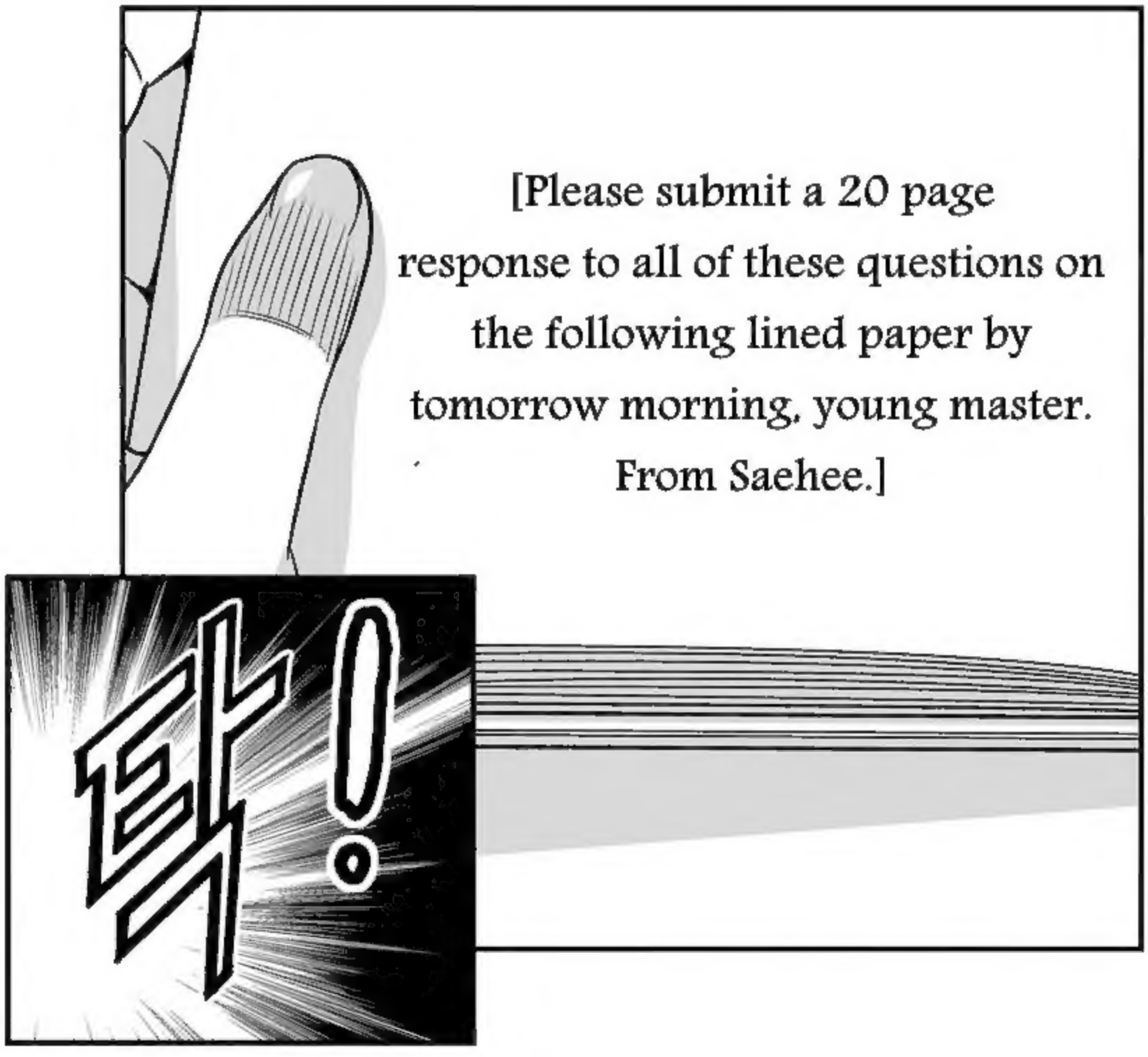
1. No matter how weak the magpie couple is, would simply ringing the bell really cause them to lose their lives?

2. Would the snake really have given up on her revenge?

3. What could have happened to the baby magpie?

[Please submit a 20 page response to all of these questions on the following lined paper by tomorrow morning, young master.

From Saehee.]



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REALLY, SAEHEE'S THE KIND OF PERSON TO SPARE NO EFFORT, TIME, EMOTION, OR MONEY TO BULLY SOMEONE~!!!

IN ORDER TO HELP ME.

BUT I THINK I KNOW WHAT SAEHEE IS TRYING TO TELL ME WITH THIS BOOK.

SHE GAVE THIS BOOK FOR MY SAKE RATHER THAN RANGII'S.

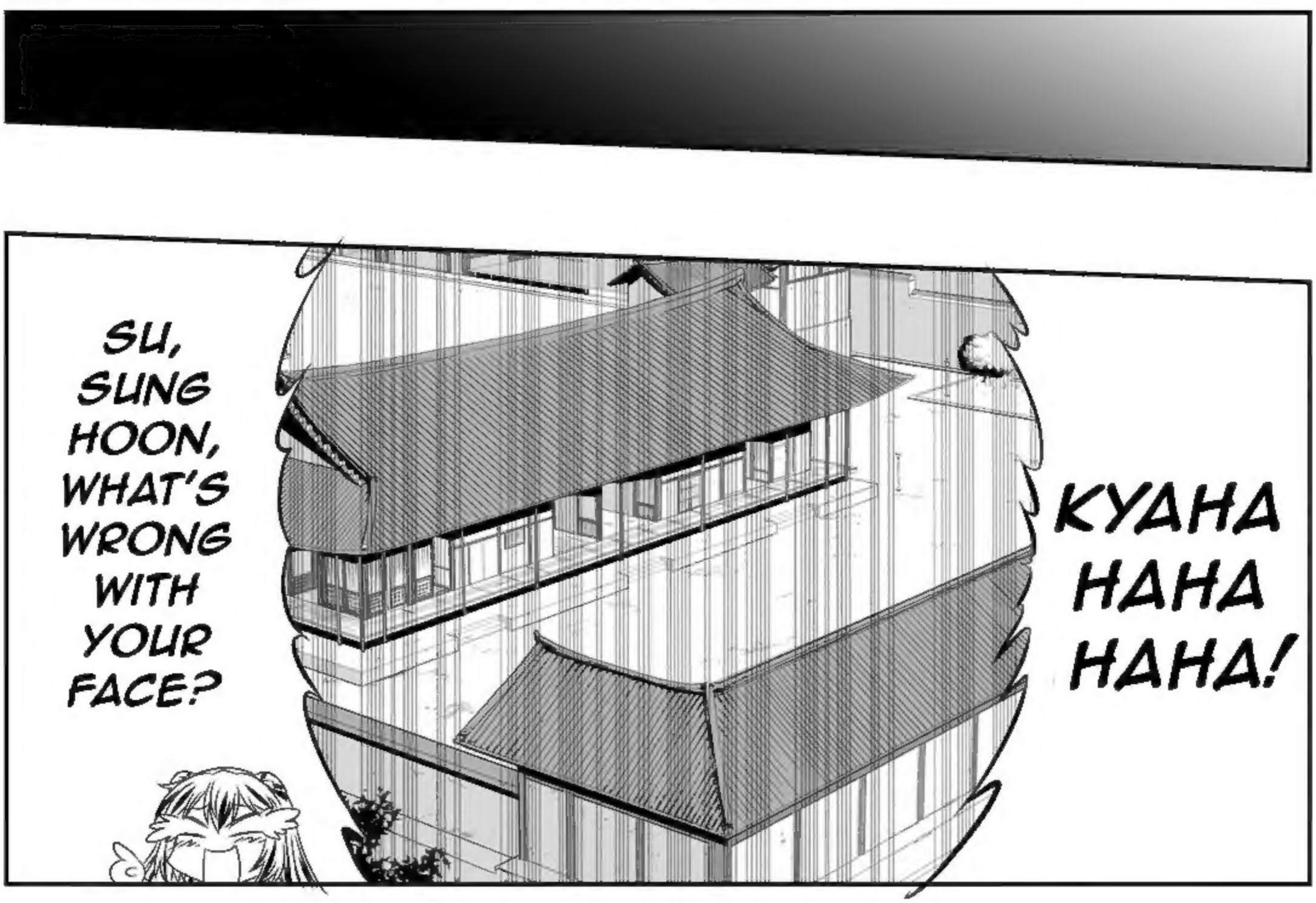
What could have happened to the baby magpie?

WHAT IS THAT?

A DREAM?

Ohh..
Ohh Ohh
Hi hi..

YOU LOOK LIKE A PROPER CHILD WHEN YOU LAUGH LIKE THAT.....
WHAT IS IT, CHII.


SU, SUNG HOON, WHAT'S WRONG WITH YOUR FACE?
KYAHA HAHA HAHA!

THERE'S NO ONE BUT THAT BRAT WHO WOULD DO THIS.

I CAN CROSS OFF RANGII FROM THE LIST OF SUSPECTS.

YOUNG MASTER, DID YOU SLEEP.....

PFF!

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CHIII YOU BRA AAAT ~~!!

WHEW

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M, MAY I TAKE A PICTURE?

DON'T-!

.....WHAT'S RANGII DOING?

SHE IS PLAYING THE ANCIENT ROLE OF A WIFE SCOLDING A CONCUBINE FOR A BAD DEED.

BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, YOUNG MASTER.

I ERASED THE SCRIBBLES WITH THE SOLUTION YOU GAVE ME, BUT WHAT IS IT?

IT IS THE UNIDENTIFIED "MYSTERIOUS LIQUID X"

*TN: A REFERENCE TO "MYSTERIOUS GIRLFRIEND X"

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DID YOU BRING YOUR BOOK REPORT?

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